

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Monday, February 23, 2004

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

_____ **S. 2102.** A bill *to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the sale of a firearm to a person who has been convicted of a felony in a foreign court, and for other purposes*; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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S. 1805 - Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act:

Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1805, to prohibit civil liability actions from being brought or continued against manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or importers of firearms or ammunition for damages resulting from the misuse of their products by others.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Wednesday, February 25, 2004.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was withdrawn.

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Nominations Received:

Senate received the following nominations:

Ricardo H. Hinojosa, of Texas, to be Chair of the United States Sentencing Commission.

Michael O'Neill, of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2009. (Reappointment)

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Congressional Program Ahead - Week of February 24 through February 28, 2004:

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security:
2/24/2004 - To hold hearings to examine cyberterrorism in the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 2/25/2004 - To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Roger T. Benitez, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 2/26/2004 - Business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

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Remarks:

[Untitled, on the subject of "Tort Reform."]

"...Our Nation's medical litigation system is broken and we need to start working to fix it. I urge my colleagues to vote for cloture on the Gregg-Ensign bill. It is time to stop filibustering and to start working. I just got back from Wyoming. They are having this same debate there. They don't trust us to finish it here. They are trying to finish it on a local basis. They are having a debate on a constitutional amendment to be able to do medical tort reform..."

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HOUSE

The House was not in session today.

The House will meet on Tuesday, February 24, 2004 at 2 p.m.

Congressional Program Ahead - Week of February 24 through February 28, 2004:

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization:

2/24/2004 - Oversight hearing entitled "We'd Like to See You Smile: The Need for Dental and Vision Benefits for Federal Employees (H.R. 3751)," 3 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: 2/25/2004 - To mark up the following: the Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2005 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; GSA Fiscal Year 2004 Leasing Resolutions; H.R. 2523, to designate the United States courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, as the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse;" H.R. 2538, to designate the United States courthouse located at 400 North Miami Avenue in Miami, Florida, as the "Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr., United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3147, to designate the Federal building located at 324 Twenty-Fifth Street in Ogden, Utah, as the "James V. Hansen Federal Building;" H.R. 3462, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Education in Washington D.C., as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

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Next SENATE MEETING: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2004.

Next HOUSE MEETING: 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2004.

OLA: A. Getter-Santos